

FAMILY MASS REFLECTION – GIFT MASS WEEKEND

JANUARY 24/25

FAMILY NAME: _____ **MASS ATTENDED:** _____

CELEBRANT'S NAME: _____

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 4:12-23

Matthew tells us about the early days of Jesus' public ministry after His baptism. that John the Baptist had been arrested, Jesus withdrew to Galilee to live in Capernaum. Therefore, Jesus' first public ministry began in Galilee. This is where Jesus' first four disciples were called. This therefore fulfills the Old Testament words of Isaiah the Prophet. Christ is the light of the world. He has come into the darkness of our sin to save us: "The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light." Jesus begins to echo what John the Baptist had said before Jesus came: remember that John the Baptist had said, "I baptize you with water, but He who comes after me baptizes with the Holy Spirit." Jesus begins to echo what John the Baptist had said before Jesus came: remember that John the Baptist had said, "I baptize you with water, but He who comes after me baptizes with the Holy Spirit."

In the longer version of today's Gospel, we hear also of the first disciples who were called to follow Jesus: Peter and Andrew, James and John. These four men leave their families and follow Jesus to learn from Him and help Him as He travels and preaches the Good News.

FAMILY DISCUSSION AND ACTIVITIES:

All of us are called to be disciples of Jesus—Jesus is counting on us to be His hands and feet in the world! What can you do as a family this week to live your faith?

PLEASE RETURN TO THE FEBRUARY 11 GIFT SESSION.